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HOME AND FOREIGN ITEMS

News of the Industrial Field, Personal and Political Items, Happenings at Home and Abroad.

THE NEWS FROM ALL THE WORLD

CONGRESSIONAL.

Senator Frye introduced a joint resolution in the senate on the 17th authorizing the president to invite the king of Siam to be the guest of the nation when he visits the United States. Standing committees were announced. In the house Mr. Smith (Mich.) introduced a bill making the birthday of William McKinley, January 29, a national holiday. The bill to provide temporary revenues for the Philippine islands was passed by a vote of 165 to 128. Bills were introduced in behalf of Admiral Schley, one providing that the views of Admiral Dewey be accepted as the verdict of congress.

In the senate on the 18th a bill was introduced for the establishment of schools for the industrial education of the youth in every county of over 5,000 population in each state. Over 150 nominations and promotions in the army were confirmed. In the house the bill to provide revenue temporarily for the Philippine islands was passed by a vote of 165 to 128. Bills were introduced appropriating \$2,000,000 for a new building for the department of agriculture; to increase the pay of letter carriers; providing the death penalty for assaults on the president or other executive officers, and making it a felony to advise or teach the overthrow of the government.

A bill was introduced in the senate on the 18th by Senator Hanna granting a pension of \$5,000 a year to Mrs. McKinley, widow of the late president. Senator Penrose introduced a bill to make Schley, Sampson and Clark vice admirals. The bill temporarily provided revenue for the Philippine islands, passed by the house, was referred to the committee on Philippines. Adjourned to January 6. In the house it was agreed to consider the Nicaragua canal bill on Tuesday, January 7, and thereafter until disposed of. Adjourned to January 7. The appointment of vice admiral and authorizing the appointment of Sampson, Schley and Clark, Mr. Jenkins (Wis.) proposed a constitutional amendment to control trusts, adjourned to January 6.

DOMESTIC.

The property loss by the floods in Pennsylvania is estimated at \$4,000,000 and nine lives were lost.

The American Express company will give its 10,000 employees ten dollars each for Christmas.

Gen. Grant's telegram to Secretary Taft announcing Lee's surrender has been sold at auction in New York for \$50.

Pearl Warner, aged 28; Louise (line, 18; Sherman Lathrop and John Jacobs committed suicide in adjoining rooms at a boarding house in Columbus, O.

Secretary Long has sent to congress a bill deficiency estimates aggregating \$5,000,000.

Postmaster General Smith has resigned and will be succeeded in the office by Henry C. Payne, of Wisconsin. The resignation is due to personal and business reasons.

The report of State Superintendent Taylor shows nearly 1,000,000 pupils in public schools during the last year.

The National Civic federation conference in New York appointed a committee of 37 to devise a plan of settling troubles. Labor unions, manufacturers and other business interests presented on the committee.

Harriet Murphy, prominent in church and church work at Pittsburgh, was killed in a battle with a burglar.

Goods are being imported from Ireland and Belgium in large quantities for the New York market at the high price demanded by the farmers.

Robbers looted post offices at Newark, N. Y., and Wilmerding, Pa., taking \$2,300.

Recent news predicts that within a few days will send simultaneous transatlantic messages over the same apparatus.

Freeman began suit in New York to enjoin A. G. Spaulding from assuming the duties of president of the National Baseball league.

The result of floods in Pennsylvania, 40,000 persons are idle and hundreds are homeless.

At a crossing in Logansport, Ind., Frank Hardy and his daughter were struck by a train and killed.

Luigi Storti was electrocuted at Charleston, Mass., for murder. It was the first execution by this method in the state.

Holders of revolutionary scrip titles claim all the lake shore property from Indiana to the Wisconsin state line.

The transport Hancock sailed from San Francisco for Manila with 31 officers and 1,013 soldiers.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles, in speaking of the finding of the Schley court of inquiry, said he endorsed Admiral Dewey's views.

A colored man has been elected orator of the senior class at Harvard.

Directors of the National Bank of Illinois have been sued for \$172,253 by creditors in Chicago.

Representatives of capital and labor met in conference in New York to devise some plan of settling labor disputes.

Seth Low took the oath of office as mayor of New York.

Dr. Matthew D. Mann, in a public statement, said he and his colleagues look to congress to pay the physicians who attended President McKinley.

The University of Chicago received a Christmas present of \$1,250,000 from John D. Rockefeller, the founder of the institution, whose gifts thus far reach a total of \$10,250,000.

Secretary Gage wants congress to pass a law giving counterfeiters 25 years imprisonment on second conviction.

Admiral Sampson will file a protest against the approval of Admiral Dewey's findings in the Schley case.

Secretary Root declined to postpone the Cuban elections at the request of Gen. Mena's supporters.

Admiral Sampson is reported to be critically ill at his residence in Washington.

Samuel Stevenson, who is suing Dow in Chicago, told Judge Tuley that Zion's leader had him hypnotized and he couldn't help signing papers.

A negro with smallpox sat among spectators all day at a murder trial in Springfield, Ill.

John D. Rockefeller has offered \$150,000 to Wellesley (Mass.) college for a dormitory.

The newly formed labor court of arbitration met in New York, elected Senator Hanna chairman and outlined a scope of action.

The World's Union of Christian Endeavorers has been incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts with Rev. Francis E. Clarke, D. D., as president.

Admiral Schley has filed with the secretary of the navy a bill of exceptions to the majority findings of the court of inquiry.

The navy department has announced the final acceptance of the battleship Wisconsin.

W. C. Hicks, editor of Bradstreet's Commercial Bulletin, was crushed to death by an elevator in Chicago.

The transport Thomas arrived in San Francisco from Manila with 1,284 soldiers.

A photographer at Richmond, Ind., has invented a machine for using acetone gas in taking photographs.

Hiram Bigelow, a New York lawyer, committed suicide in the Vincennes hotel in Chicago.

The state normal school building at Aberdeen, S. D., has been destroyed by fire.

The government has sued Seneca, N. Y., to recover 20,000 acres of land said to have been fraudulently entered by homesteaders in Montana.

A London syndicate has acquired the Hogg-Swayne oil properties in Texas for \$6,000,000 and will spend nearly \$500,000 in improvements at Port Arthur.

Andrew Carnegie, in conference with the president concerning his gift of \$10,000,000 to the government, offered to change the form of the gift to cash or government bonds.

The steamer Kanawha, Bell, which runs between Charleston, W. Va., and Montgomery, was wrecked and nine lives were lost.

John F. Bull, a broker, killed his wife and himself in Parsons, Kan.

As a result of the intense cold and blizzard stockmen figure a ten percent loss in cattle in Oklahoma.

The state bank of Gothenburg, Neb., closed its doors with liabilities of \$22,000.

The Massachusetts memorial tablet erected on the site of the old prison at Andersonville, Ga., has been dedicated.

L. T. Exum, a farmer living near Centerville, Tex., killed his wife and himself after a quarrel.

D. D. Barouh and John Lisco, founders and leaders in the Polish colony near Osceola, Neb., were killed in a runaway accident.

The new training school in Salt Lake City of the University of Utah with its entire contents has been destroyed by fire.

The home of Henry Davis near Jackson, Miss., was destroyed by fire and his wife and child were cremated.

Marconi expects his system of wireless telegraphy will reduce the rate to Europe to one cent a word.

A lone robber held up the bank at Springfield, Ark., and secured \$7,000.

Cherokee Indians are reported starving in the hills near Tahlequah, Okla.

Ten men were killed and four fatally injured by a gas explosion at the Sosa furnace in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Three persons were killed and 25 injured in a collision between Southern Pacific trains at Upland, Cal.

The prospect of peaceful settlement of the Chile-Argentine trouble is growing brighter.

Filipinos have been defeated in several skirmishes in Batangas province, in which several insurgents were slain.

Adherents of Gen. Maso declare a fair Cuban election impossible unless conditions are changed.

Danish people demand a chance to vote on the sale of the West India island to the United States.

The lower house of the Norwegian parliament passed a law to punish anarchy.

The Philippine commission in a report advises an early establishment of civil government for the islands, including a legislative assembly.

In a report sent to the war department Gen. Chaffee says history has no parallel for the treachery of the Filipinos.

A Portuguese ship was wrecked in the harbor at Lisbon and 15 of the crew were drowned.

The progress of the South African campaign is now causing more satisfaction in England.

LATER.

Arthur R. Jones, senior member of the Chicago board of trade firm of A. R. Jones & Co., and Michael J. Ryan, secretary and principal broker of the company, who were expelled from membership in the board on charges of uncommercial conduct and bucket-shoveling, were granted a temporary injunction, on the 20th, by Judge Tuley, and began operations on the board again.

Admiral Sampson's physician reported, on the 20th: "The admiral is not in any immediate danger. He goes out for exercise every day, weather permitting. He smokes his cigar after dinner. He is not feeble, but just in impaired health. His heart action is quite vigorous. His life may be prolonged for many years, or it may be very brief, so far as anyone knows."

Theodore and Laura Jackson, the latter better known in the United States by the name of Ann Odell, a student at Bryn Mawr college, near Philadelphia, was burned to death in her room at the college on the 20th.

Her clothing accidentally caught fire, and the young woman was fatally burned before assistance reached her. This was her third year at college.

The statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$120,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, issued on the 20th, showed: Available cash balance, \$172,796,951; gold, \$115,489,108.

Lord Francis Hope was seriously injured, on the 20th, while out shooting, by the accidental discharge of his gun. The charge shattered his ankle, but the surgeons think his foot may be saved.

It was officially announced in Berlin, on the 20th, that in consequence of the murder of a German near Pekin, August 5, 15 members of the band found guilty of the crime had been executed.

On the 20th R. G. Dun & Co. reported: "Failures for the week numbered 265 in the United States, against 293 last year, and 27 in Canada, against 185 last year."

Policeman George Hanlon, of Louisville, Ky., was, on the 22d, found guilty of the murder of Police Corporal Fred Richter, and sentenced to life imprisonment. Richter was killed at life imprisonment, Corporal Richter was shot and killed on the night of April 1.

He had reported Hanlon to the chief of police at different times for violating police regulations.

The British Court Circular announces that the journey of King Edward and Queen Alexandra to Sandringham (where they were to go to spend Christmas), has been postponed, in consequence of a slight indisposition of Queen Alexandra. It is understood her majesty's indisposition is not serious.

Nue-Se-Ga, the oldest Indian square in the United States, died at the Winnebago Indian camp on Barron's island, opposite La Crosse, Wis., aged 128. She was buried with the customary ceremonies on the 22d, in the presence of a large number of chiefs from all parts of the north-west.

The British war office, on the 22d, issued another long dispatch received from Lord Kitchener, detailing the murders of natives by the Boers. One case is given of a wagon driver who was captured from a British convoy in the end of 1900 and burned alive.

It is reported from Bursa, Asiatic Turkey, that the commander of a Turkish gunboat has removed the Turkish flag from the residence of Maharukh, the sheikh of Kowt, and replaced it by Maharukh's own flag in token of his independence.

The Italian foreign office has been informed that the consul general of the United States to Cairo, Egypt, John G. Long, has withdrawn his charge that the Italians have encouraged slave trading in the Italian colony of Eritrea.

The steamer Minnehaha, which arrived at New York, on the 22d, from London, brought 24 fine thoroughbred racing horses. Twelve are for Wishart and Baker, and eight for Chicago, the other are consigned to H. E. Leigh.

Justice David McAdam, of New York supreme court, died, on the 22d, at a private sanitarium in New York city, from cancer of the tongue. Justice McAdam was the author of many legal works that are authorities.

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Recent Deaths.

P. T. Ellis, a retired merchant of New Florence, at the Mullanphy hospital, St. Louis, of kidney troubles. Mr. Ellis was 72 years of age, and had suffered for years.

Jacob Speck, one of the best known of the older business men of St. Louis. He was well-known in G. A. R. circles.

Robert D. Patterson, well-known in business circles of St. Louis, at the age of 70, after an illness of four days, from pneumonia.

Mrs. E. M. Tyler, aged 93 years and 9 months, widow of Dr. Milton Tyler, of St. Louis.

J. Horace Miller, aged 70, of Huntsville, of heart disease. He was sitting in a barber shop at the time. Mr. Miller was assessor of Randolph county for a number of years, he also was deputy county clerk for eight years, and at the time of his death was treasurer of the county.

John W. Pasley, one of the wealthiest farmers of Nine Mile Prairie township, Callaway county. The cause of his death was paralysis. He leaves three children, all grown. He owned one of the finest farms in Callaway county, consisting of 480 acres. He was a breeder of fine stock, and grew wealthy.

Dr. John Stark, well-known physician and surgeon, who served on the staff of Gen. McClellan in the civil war, at Kansas City.

Col. Rockwell M. Thompson, formerly publisher of St. Louis, at San Francisco, Cal.

Rev. Father Ward, a well-known educator at the Jesuit institution at Florissant.

Thomas Kelly, one of the most widely known men in the west during frontier days, at his home at Liberty, aged 87.

In 1827 he entered in partnership with Gen. Thomas L. Price to run a line of stagecoaches from St. Louis to New Orleans. In 1834 the firm of Price & Kelly secured from the government a contract for a weekly mail delivery from Independence to Salt Lake City, Utah. The firm was the first to own and operate the great Santa Fe line between Independence and Santa Fe, N. M. The civil war broke up the partnership, and Kelly went to California and engaged in staging until the railroads came, when he returned to Missouri. Several of his children are prominent in California. Mr. Kelly was a native of Jonesboro, Tenn.

Birth and Deaths in St. Louis.

Following is the record of births and deaths for the city of St. Louis, up to December 19, also the causes of death:

Births.....10,586
Deaths.....10,129
Excess of births.....457

Deaths in 1899.....9,841
Deaths in 1900.....10,129
PRINCIPAL CAUSE OF MORTALITY.

Consumption.....1,053
Pneumonia.....958
Heart prostration.....228
Smallpox.....228

Circulatory diseases.....681
Coronary infarctus.....681
Diphtheria.....219
Typhoid fever.....196
Scarlet fever.....196
Scalds.....312
Kidney diseases.....310

Possibly the most remarkable feature of the mortality statistics, as compiled by Dr. Becker, is the small number of deaths from smallpox. Only six deaths from variola were reported to the health department, notwithstanding that there were more than 500 cases under treatment during the year.

St. Joseph's Hospital Burned.

Says a dispatch from Marysville: St. Joseph's hospital was almost completely destroyed by fire and the lives of 25 patients were jeopardized; fatal results being feared in several cases, owing to the shock and the zero weather into which the sick ones were carried for refuge from the flames. Loss, \$6,000; fully insured.

The Cold Wave Was Severe.

The recent cold wave was the most severe experienced in Missouri in December for a number of years. It extended over the entire state, and a good puff of it went south into Arkansas and Louisiana. At various localities people froze to death, and in the cities there was much suffering among the unfortunates.

For the Murder of Her Husband.

The filing of the transcript has begun the case at Plattburg against Mrs. Addie B. Richardson, for the murder of her husband. The life insurance companies promise a strong prosecution.

She Wants to Go On the Stage.

Says a New York dispatch: James F. Robertson, a prominent St. Louis lawyer, came to New York to search for his wife, who, against his wishes, had left home and chosen a stage career.

Their Golden Anniversary.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnson celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding, at St. Louis, with a quiet dinner at their home to the immediate relative family.

Three Years for a Siskit.

Joe Downey, alias "Siskit," who was charged with robbing \$215 from the pocket of J. Barrett, at St. Louis, was sentenced to serve three years in the penitentiary by a jury.

The Storm Tamed.

The St. Louis house of delegates passed a resolution giving the Transit Co. 30 days in which to furnish adequate transportation facilities.

To Store Texas Oil.

St. Louis capitalists are interested in scheme to build a large reservoir on river front for storing Beaumont oil to be brought in tank boats.

Sale of Pure-Bred Horses.

THE OLD YEAR

LING open wide the door!
A guest goes forth to-night,
Returning never more,
Yet not forgotten quite.

He brought us much of good
Which we mistook for ill
Because misunderstood
God's purposes and will.

So with no unkind thought
We see the Old Year go,
Content with what it brought
Of whether weal or woe.

We could not if we would
Detain these flying years,
We would not if we could
Exchange for joys their tears.

God knoweth all our needs
Far better than we do,
Our thoughts, intents and deeds
Life open to His view.

The record of the past
Has many a blotted page,
Through all our doubts and fears,
That darker lines presage.

The record, closed and sealed,
Awaits us till that day
When it shall be revealed
In all its dread array.

Lord, help us read aright
The lessons of the years,
To see light in Thy light
Through all our doubts and fears.

—William G. Haselbarth, in Christian Work.

DOROTHY HUNTER'S CALLER.

BY CANDICE ADELE BRAMBLE.

IT WAS early morning of the Saturday before New Year's day and Dorothy Hunter was washing the breakfast dishes at the sink in the farmhouse kitchen, when her mother came hurriedly in from the sitting-room, with a flushed, anxious face.

"Oh, Dorothy, dear," she said, "do you think you could stay alone and take care of baby all day and, per-

haps, all night? Deacon Parsons just stopped to tell us that Aunt Kate has fallen and broken her arm, and she wants us to come over as quickly as possible."

"Why, yes, of course I can," Dorothy replied promptly. "You hurry right along and get ready; I'll heat the soapstone and help you get started, and after you're gone I'll finish the work."

"I hate to leave you, daughter. It will be a lonely day for you, and, though we shall try to come, of course, it may be just possible that we cannot get home to-night; it is nine miles to Dunbar, you know, and I'm afraid there is a storm coming on. You are sure you are not afraid, Dorothy?"

"Afraid? Why, of course not. You forget that I was 14 last month, and what in the world should I be afraid of, anyway?" and Dorothy laughed at the thought.

A few moments later she stood at the window with two-year-old Nellie, the baby of the family, in her arms, and watched her father and mother drive away down the snow-drifted road. She smiled brightly as long as they remained in sight, but when a turn in the road hid the sleigh she felt just a bit lonely after all, and it was not surprising that she did. There were no other houses within sight, their nearest neighbor lived a mile away, and standing as it did upon a seldom-traveled road, the Hunter homestead was a dreary place.

However, Dorothy did not spend much time meditating. She paused just long enough at the window to note the few, big, slow-falling flakes, advance messengers of the coming storm, and then went about the belated household tasks. So much was there to be done that she did not until the old clock upon the mantel twanged

the hour of three, did Dorothy pause for more than the short rest which she took while eating her simple dinner; then, with Nellie in her arms, she sank gratefully into the old-fashioned rocker by the sitting-room window, and as she glanced out was surprised to see how fast and furious the storm had grown. The snow was falling so heavily that she could not even see the barnyard fence, and she remembered with a sigh of relief that her father had said the chores were all done, so that the stock would need no further attention until morning if he should not return that night.

As she sat and hummed a drowsy little tune to the baby, Dorothy thought she heard the gate latch click, and a moment later some one knocked loudly at the door. She hastily laid Nellie in her crib and went to open it, and there, to her surprise, stood a great, bearded, rough-looking stranger. A tramp! thought the girl in dismay that was not lessened by the man's request, made in a hoarse voice, to be allowed to come in and get warm before going farther in the storm. Dorothy had been taught that hospitality is a most gracious virtue, so she assented to the stranger's plea, and drew a chair for him close to the roaring fire.

"Isn't this the Hunter farm?" inquired the unwelcome guest, after a moment or two, as he spread out his brown hands to the grateful blaze.

"Yes, sir. That is my father's name," replied Dorothy quietly, resuming her seat by the window.

"Where is he? The folks haven't all gone away and left you alone, have they?"

For a moment Dorothy hesitated, and then she told him the story of her aunt's misfortune and how her parents had gone to render her whatever assistance they could. For a long time then the silence was unbroken, and Dorothy began to think it high time that her guest was taking his departure, when he suddenly said:

"You couldn't make up your mind to let me stop for the night, could you, sis? I've come a long ways to-day and am tired enough. I'd be right glad if you could let me stay."

"O, no, I couldn't do it! I am sure father and mother would not wish me to. You must go on, and don't you think it is time you started? It is getting dark, you see, and Dorothy half rose from her chair in her eagerness to urge the departure of this man, of whom she was growing more than half afraid.

lonished to find her tramp visitor in the sitting-room, with baby Nellie perched comfortably upon his knee.

"What does it mean?" she asked, turning from the stranger's laughing face to her mother.

"It means," replied the deep voice that Dorothy remembered so well, "that I am your Uncle Harry, just back from the Klondike with a pocket lined with gold, and willing and anxious to divide with the generous little girl who would give almost her only cent to a poor, miserable tramp."

And then he told how he had hastened straight to his sister's home, upon his arrival from the far north, and finding her away, and being obliged to go to a town 20 miles distant, upon a business matter, had decided to keep the secret until his return.

"And I'll always be glad that I did," he said, holding out his hand to Dorothy, "because, by this means, I found out what a dear, kind-hearted little girl I have for a niece."

Dorothy has grown very well acquainted with Uncle Harry since that stormy Saturday, and many delightful things have come to her through his kindness; and she wonders now how she could ever have thought his voice rough and harsh, or ever have taken her splendid, big-hearted uncle for a tramp.—Detroit Free Press.

THE NEW YEAR'S GREETING.

We Look at the Future Through a Reflection of Our Own Souls.

"Happy New Year," "Happy New Year!" rings from merry voices and chiming bells everywhere, startling the echoes in response, "Happy New Year!" Whoever knew of a note of New Year's! Who ever Union Signal, that gladness, says the Union Signal, that did not go reverberating through all space, and repeating itself on the harp strings of every human life it touched?

"But who knows it will be a happy new year?" asks the would-be-wise, quizzically. "Who expects it?" grows the cynic. "Who hopes for it?" sneers the man whom life has defeated. "It cannot be happy," says the sorrowful. "It will not be happy," says the soured and embittered, and the world is full of the disappointed.

It could not be happy, with all the misery and poverty in it," says the pessimist. "It shall not be happy," says the enthusiast, "until it is rid of its sin and selfishness." "Happiness," says the philosopher, "is not the object of life, but usefulness."

"Such a happy new year!" says the young mother, clasping her winsome, dimpled darling to her heart; and "It shall be a happy new year," says the Christian optimist, standing with bared head in the halo of light that comes streaming down the vistas of the future, seeing far into the circles.

"When light shall spread and man be like man through all the seasons of the golden year."

Would you be a cynic or a philosopher? The sorrowing and disappointed who are without hope, or the sorrowing who feels that "tears are for the night, and joy cometh in the morning?" Would you be a pessimist, seeing only the mists, or an optimist, looking beyond the narrowed horizon of to-day? Would you see fate in the world, blind, inexorable and hard, or God in the world working out the destiny of human souls? The new year is a new outlook. You look at it through the reflection of your own soul. If you have made it broad, and deep, and shining in the light of God's face, it will shine on. If it is troubled and turbid it will only give a flash here and there on its surface.

We know that sorrow and disappointment must come. The travail of pain is the birth of righteousness always. We know that temptation will assail virtue, that we must struggle with impotence to the bitter end; we know that the strong will oppress the weak as long as they can and dare, but we know also that the process of education is, if slow, absolutely sure, and that in great crises, public opinion sometimes turns with the force of a whirlwind and sweeps away every barrier. The most potent forces of the universe are the silent ones; the voice of God is the still small voice; truth is universal, and we are teaching men and women, and better yet, children to see it.

We know not how the better time is coming, nor when, but we know why, and so we echo "Happy New Year!" and look forward joyously to the day when

All men's good Be each man's rule, and universal peace Lie like a shaft of light across the land And like a lane of beams athwart the sea, Through all the circle of the golden year, And feeling sure That unto him who works and feels he works

THE SAME GRAND YEAR IS EVER AT THE DOOR